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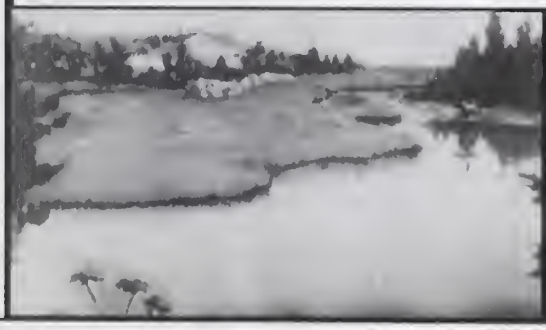

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Standing at the head of Ned's Point in Mattapoisett is one of the town's most familiar historic landmarks. The stone structure may often be taken for granted as families gather in its shadow on warm summer days to enjoy a view of the harbor ... and some residents may not even notice its solid frame gracing logos and stationery throughout the town.

But for the last 160 years, the Ned's Point Lighthouse has remained a silent guardian at the gate, a beacon beckoning passing ships to drop anchor in the friendly waters of Mattapoisett Harbor for a brief stay.

In recalling the early history of the Ned's Point Lighthouse in his 1995 book *Old Mattapoisett: A Summer Portrait*, author Edward F. R. Wood Jr. wrote:

"In 1837, the United States contracted with Leonard Hammond of Mattapoisett to build the Ned's Point Lighthouse, which filled an important need for sail shipping in Buzzards Bay and, in particular, met the whaling industry's need for safe entry into Mattapoisett Harbor. Whaling and shipbuilding disappeared; but the light was useful for fishermen and coastwise freight schooners, and it was rebuilt and reequipped in 1888.

"Ned's Point ceased to be a manned station on 28 June 1923: The keeper's residence was removed from its foundations, rolled onto a barge, and towed across the bay to a new location at Wing's Neck Lighthouse while the keeper cooked breakfast inside. Ned's Point light, automated and still serving seasonal boatmen and a few inshore commercial fishermen, became one of the focal points of a renewed, attractive, and much-changed community."

This weekend, the United States Coast Guard and Flotilla 67 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary invites everyone to remember this rich history by joining in to celebrate the 160th anniversary of the historic Ned's Point Lighthouse on Saturday, March 21 at 10:00 am. The program will include an artillery salute by C Battery of the 101st Artillery of the Massachusetts National Guard, a flyover by a Coast Guard falcon jet, and a lifesaving demonstration by a Coast Guard helicopter.

Honored guests will include ranking Coast Guard officers from the area and local officials. All are welcome to come and join the celebration.

On the cover: *Mattapoisett's best-known landmark, the Ned's Point Lighthouse, will be celebrating its 160th anniversary this weekend. A slate of activities are planned for Saturday morning, March 21 beginning at 10:00 am and will include an artillery salute, a flyover by a Coast Guard falcon jet, and a demonstration by a Coast Guard helicopter. The public is cordially invited to attend. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

Cover insert: *A watercolor by Judy Carver of Marion titled "Eel Pond" is just one of the many now on display at the Marion Art Center through April 22. The exhibit also includes paintings by Virginia Barry, Ann Mello, and Mary Ann Patrick. (Photo courtesy of the Marion Art Center).*

Blooming Watercolors

Marion Art Center Hosts Exhibit

An exhibition of Watercolor paintings is currently on exhibit at the Marion Art Center. The exhibit features works by Virginia Barry, Judy Carver, Ann Mello, and Mary Ann Patrick.

Virginia Barry lives in Marion and has been painting for six years. She has taken courses at UMass Dartmouth, the University of Maine, and Portsmouth Abbey, RI. She has studied with Marily Swift at the Rockport Art Association, Tim Clark at the Worcester Art Museum, and with Mel Stabin in Italy. Her work has been previously shown at Horizons in Williamsburg, MA, the Portsmouth Abbey, and the Marion Art Center.

Judy Carver also resides in Marion. She received a B.A. degree from Dickenson College with special emphasis on Art History. She has taken watercolor courses at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the DeCordova Museum, and studied with David Baggarly, John Murphy, and Betty Dunlop at the Marion Art Center. She also studied with William Roberts at Wells College in Aurora, NY.

Ann Mello lives in Paxton, MA and has a summer house in Mattapoisett. She received a B.A. degree from Clark University and also attended Lasell Junior College and Morse Business College. She is an active volunteer in the Worcester area and studies painting with various teachers in the area. She also took courses at the Marion Art Center where she met Judy Carver and Virginia Barry. She had her first professional art exhibit at the First Show Gallery at CC Lowell in Worcester in 1996.

Mary Ann Patrick has a studio in Wareham, MA. After graduating from Skidmore College, she used her art training designing lace for this country's leading lace manufacturer. She also became active in the Arts Students League, studying with John Pike and her mentor, Edgar

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Whitney. She taught watercolor classes for many years at the South Shore Art Center in Cohasset and later at the Marion Art Center. Ms. Patrick emphasized her use of dry and wet technique, pen and ink, and vignette. Her paintings have won many awards for her interpretations of landscapes, flowers and seascapes. She enjoys living close to the saltwater and the opportunity it offers to study subtle changes that occur during the ever-changing seasons of New England.

The Watercolor Exhibition and Sale will be on display at the Marion Art Center through April 22. The galleries are open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The center is located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets in Marion. Admission is FREE. For more information, please call 748-1266.

Oscar Predictions

Wagering on '97 Oscar Winners

By Rob Gonsalves and Kenneth J. Souza

Rob Gonsalves: Hello and welcome to our Annual Oscar predictions, in which we try to second-guess the geniuses at the Academy. As we've done in past years, we'll tell you who *will* win and who *should* win (the two are often mutually exclusive).

Kenneth J. Souza: Yes, Rob, and if the Academy would just listen to us life would be so much better! Now we must warn our readers not to place any bets on our prognostications — these are done for fun only, so please *no gambling!*

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RG: Hey, what about the bets we placed ... Ken seems to be gesturing to me to shut up. Okay, we might as well segue into the first category: **Best Supporting Actress**. And the nominees are: Kim Basinger for *L.A. Confidential;* Joan Cusack for *In & Out;* Minnie Driver for *Good Will Hunting;* Julianne Moore for *Boogie Nights;* and Gloria Stuart for *Titanic*. Your move, Ken ...

KJS: One of the more difficult categories this year, Rob. I liked Minnie Driver (although she was better as John Cusack's love interest in *Grosse Pointe Blank),* I thought Gloria Stuart was very good as the older Kate Winslet character in *Titanic,* and Julianne Moore offered another in a long line of complex performances in the otherwise over-bloated *Boogie Nights.* I think this race is going to come down to two choices: either Kim Basinger or Joan Cusack. Basinger is the critics' darling for her impressive turn in *L.A. Confidential,* and she'll probably take

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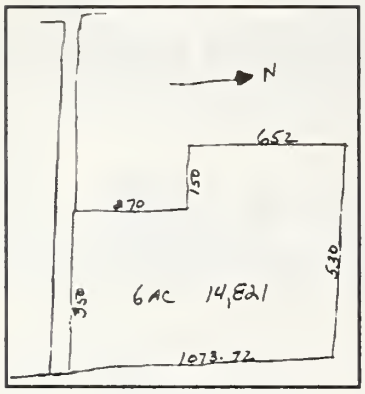

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home the Oscar, but my true hope is that Joan Cusack wins for *In & Out*. She delivered an unforgettable comic performance as Kevin Kline's fiancée who's shocked to learn her husband-to-be is gay.

RG: You think Kim'll win? I'm not so sure. Gloria Stuart is the ultimate comeback story — *Titanic* was her return to films after a 97-year absence (or thereabouts). The *Titanic* sweep (unless there's a backlash) will likely sweep up Stuart. Given my choice of Gloria's young competitors — all of whom I admire — I'd have to agree and go with Cusack. Now if her brother had been nominated for *Grosse Pointe Blank*, I'd be happy.

KJS: So would I. One of the most underrated films of 1997. I'm glad we agree on that one. Now, on to our next category, **Best Supporting Actor**. And the nominees are: Robert Forster for *Jackie Brown;* Anthony Hopkins for *Amistad;* Greg Kinnear for *As Good As It Gets;* Burt Reynolds for *Boogie Nights;* and Robin Williams for *Good Will Hunting*. Who do you think will win, Master Rob?

RG: Well, first let's eliminate the probable losers. Hopkins has won before, and the film he's in isn't well-regarded. Kinnear's nomination is his reward, and he'll suffer from the resentment of voters who are disappointed that Rupert Everett (an *actual* gay man, as opposed to Kinnear's "I'm not gay, but I play one in a movie" performance) wasn't nominated for *My Best Friend's Wedding*. Forster's subtle work in *Jackie Brown* is too subtle for the Academy to notice (and I think it's the best in this category). That leaves Williams and Reynolds, and it raises the question (to be repeated in the Best Actor category) of which veteran the Academy wants to honor. I'd guess it'll be Reynolds — it's a comeback performance, and Williams' work in *Good Will Hunting* is too subtle. They're not gonna say "Here, Robin, have an Oscar for not acting like an eight-year-old on a sugar high." Reynolds is the guy.

KJS: Hmm. Interesting hypothesis, Rob. I agree with most of your assessment, however I'm not so sure *Boogie Nights* will get or deserves the recognition from the Academy that so many critics have suggested. Reynolds' and Julianne Moore's performances are the two best things in the movie, to be sure, but I don't know if either is Oscar-caliber. If anything, Reynolds

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might ride on the sympathy vote (and he probably will). But I'm going with Robert Forster's superb portrayal of a bail bondsman in Quentin Tarantino's *Jackie Brown*. It's every bit as much of a comeback as Reynolds' turn, only the craftsmanship is better. Even though I was somewhat disappointed with Tarantino's film, Forster's performance stayed with me.

RG: Yes, I can see it hovering over your shoulder as we speak. Very odd. Anyway, on to the next category: **Best Actress**. And the nominees are: Helena Bonham Carter for *The Wings of the Dove;* Julie Christie for *Afterglow;* Judi Dench for *Mrs. Brown;* Helen Hunt for *As Good As It Gets;* and Kate Winslet for *Titanic.* Ken, tell Robert Forster's performance to go away — c'mere and do some predicting.

KJS: This Max guy won't leave! Anyway, on to the Best Actress choices ... I'm sure Julie Christie did fine work in

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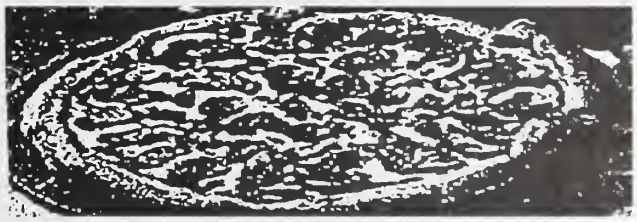
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Afterglow (I'll have to check with her mom and the other guy who saw the film), and the critics are raving about Judi Dench in *Mrs. Brown* (and she's probably the odds-on favorite to win). But I think the race is down to Carter, Hunt and Winslet. Kate will likely either benefit or lose if *Titanic* is universally awarded or ignored. I think she deserves the Oscar, but I don't think she'll win. Helena Bonham Carter is well-regarded, but she's among the four Brits nominated. Instead, I think the academy will award the sole American in the bunch: Helen Hunt. Her performance was superb in James Brooks' *As Good As It Gets*, and she held her own with crazy Jack just fine.

RG: True, Hunt's status as the lone Yank is a big factor in her favor. But an equally large factor against her is that she may be perceived as a TV actress who lucked out (even if that's not true — Hunt has been in films at least since the '80s). Weighing these factors, I still think she'll win — but of the performances in this category, I prefer Carter's complex work in *Wings of the Dove*. She's overdue for recognition.

KJS: This is shaping up to become a milestone year for us, Rob. I don't think we've ever been on the same wavelength for so many categories! I'm scared! But, on to the next category, **Best Actor.** The nominees are: Matt Damon for *Good Will Hunting;* Robert Duvall for *The Apostle;* Peter Fonda for *Ulee's Gold;* Dustin Hoffman for *Wag the Dog;* and Jack Nicholson for *As Good As It Gets*. On to you, oh-wise-and-worldly one!

RG: Okay, first of all, forget Matt Damon. He and Ben Affleck are going to win Best Original Screenplay — that's Damon's consolation prize. Hoffman has won twice before, as has Nicholson. Duvall has also won once before. Fonda, I think, is going to take it home — the Academy will want to put him next to Henry and Jane on the shelf of Oscar-winning Fondas. And think of the tearful acceptance speech. If it were up to me,

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though, I'd give it to Duvall for his fire-and-brimstone job in *The Apostle* — a performance that stayed with me, slept on my couch, and ate all my Twinkies. But I didn't mind.

KJS: Wow! We agree again! Though I have a little more faith (pun intended) in the Academy. Damon and Nicholson are long shots, to be sure. Hoffman was excellent in *Wag the Dog*, but he's been honored before. It's going to be between Fonda and Duvall. But I hope Duvall wins — his pathetic preacher in *The Apostle* is more complex than the other four nominees' characters combined.

RG: Now we come to Ken's favorite category (and mine, too): **Best Director.** And the white males this year are: Peter Cattaneo for *The Full Monty;* James Cameron for *Titanic;* Atom Egoyan for *The Sweet Hereafter;* Curtis Hanson for *L.A. Confidential;* and Gus Van Sant for *Good Will Hunting*. Ken, what is the frequency?

KJS: I don't know — I'll have to ask Michael Stipe. Anyway, this is my favorite category, and one that I often agonize over. This year is a tough race. We can first eliminate Van Sant and Cattaneo, whose films have been honored just by being nominated. I think it's going to be a three-way race between Hanson, Egoyan, and Cameron. Cameron is likely to win if *Titanic* finds itself in the midst of a night to remember, but I am siding with those who are predicting a Titanic backlash,

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especially against the uber-director Cameron. That leaves Hanson, who directed the second best film of the year, and Egoyan, who directed the best film of the year. I'm going with Atom Egoyan for *The Sweet Hereafter*, although I won't be too disappointed if Hanson mmm-bops his way to the podium either.

RG: Sadly, in this case the Academy won't recognize Atomic power. Egoyan may well get the Best Adapted Screenplay Oscar (although it's a dead heat between him and Hanson and Brian "Local Boy" Helgeland for *L.A. Confidential* in that category). I would love there to be a backlash against Cameron — he needs a humility slap *bad* — but it won't be enough to topple him. He's going to ride that big boat all the way. Size, as he infamously said at the Golden Globes, *does* matter — which is why great smaller films like *The Sweet Hereafter* get capsized in the wake of blockbusters.

KJS: I'm apt to agree with you, Rob. Although I still maintain that Egoyan deserves to win if only to make up for the fact that *The Sweet Hereafter* didn't get nominated for Best Film. Speaking of which, now on to our last major category, **Best Film.** The nominees are: *As Good As It Gets; The Full Monty; Good Will Hunting; L.A. Confidential;* and *Titanic*. Whadda ya think, RG?

RG: Comedies almost never win, so forget *As Good As It Gets* and *The Full Monty*. The Academy will want to honor a big-studio film this year, so that leaves out Miramax's *Good Will Hunting*. That means a race between *Titanic* and *L.A. Confidential*. Since Best Director and Picture almost always coincide, I'm betting *Titanic* will go home with the gold. I wouldn't be disappointed if it did, but I also wouldn't be sad to see *L.A. Confidential* pull ahead of it, either. Both, I think, are equally deserving.

KJS: Again, we're on the same page, Rob (which isn't surprising, considering we're co-writing the same article). Certainly *Hunting, As Good*, and *Monty* don't have the big studio power to take the top prize (especially after last year's "independent" sweep). This year, Hollywood needs to pat itself on the back for a job well done, and that means either *L.A. Confidential* or *Titanic*. I agree that either are deserving of the Best Picture Oscar, but for the sake of argument, I'm picking *L.A. Confidential* to win. I think the constant press — not to mention

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the omnipresent Celine Dion song — have served to put a few dents in *Titanic's* armor. How many more times can we endure that sickly-sweet ballad with snippets of dialogue from the film? Buy the damned CD already ... just keep it off my car radio!

RG: Damn straight. Now to our last and most contentious category, wherein we smack the Academy upside the head for the movies and performances they overlooked. To my eyes, the most glaring omission is *The Sweet Hereafter* not getting a Best Picture nod; also, Ian Holm's work in that film certainly merited a nomination. *The Ice Storm* was stupidly ignored, as was *In the Company of Men.* And someone explain why Russell Crowe, Guy Pearce, James Cromwell, Danny DeVito, and especially Kevin Spacey were passed over for *L.A. Confidential?*

KJS: All good choices, Rob. I agree — was *L.A.*

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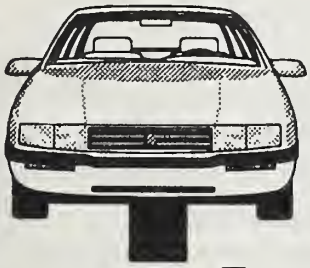

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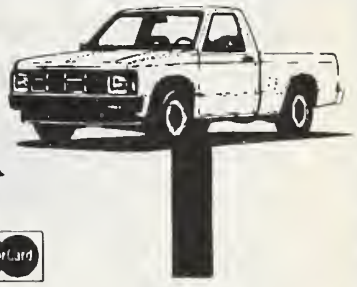

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Confidential a student film filled with no actors? Besides the obvious omission of Leonardo DiCaprio for Best Actor (whose performance was better than his co-star, who *was* nominated), the Academy forgot a great film from early 1997 called *Donnie Brasco*. Though it received a screenplay nod, both Al Pacino and especially Johnny Depp should have been nominated for two of the best performances of the year. And Mike Newell was able to breathe new life into what many considered to be an overdone genre: the gangster film.

RG: Yeah. So anyway, we'll see you at the Oscars on ... when *are* they on, anyway?

KJS: Everyone can catch the live Academy Awards broadcast on Monday, March 23 at 9:00 pm on ABC. Be sure to tune in to see how Rob and I fared in our predictions. See you all next year!

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

March 17, 1998

By Rebecca Fortin

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, March 17 at 7:00 pm by Chairman John N. DeCosta. Also present were Selectman Paul R. Lambalot, Selectman Michele Bernier, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

The evening began with an accolade from Chairman DeCosta in praise of the Lady Bulldogs basketball team at Old Rochester Regional High School for a job well done in winning the Division 3 state

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First, the Board has to have a thorough knowledge of THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL CODE TITLE V: MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUBSURFACE DISPOSAL OF SANITARY SEWAGE. Second, the Board is responsible for approving new septic systems, repairing septic systems, perc tests, soil tests, issuing licenses for septic haulers and installers, approving plans for additions, alterations, pool installations, handling health complaints, food service inspections, housing code violations, and the Board of Health office handles walk-ins asking questions relating to the above.

The Board is also responsible for issuing tickets to the Landfill, the Town wide rubbish and recycling programs, sponsors rabies clinics for cats and dogs, tests all Town and private beaches a minimum of 8 times during the swimming season, works with Plymouth County Mosquito Control and notifies the public about any health problem in Town.

In addition the Board of Health is responsible for the Public Health Nurse who maintains an office in Town Hall for office visits. She also does home visits, blood pressure monitoring, tuberculosis testing, flu clinics, is responsible for immunizations, blood sugar testing and holds various clinics at Camp Massasoit, Center and Old Hammondtown Schools, Little People's College and the Mattapoisett Nursing Home.

As you can see, the Mattapoisett Board of Health is responsible for a wide variety of services that enter into everyone's health and well being. These services are performed by people who have a passion for the Town Of Mattapoisett and their positions.

My concept of the Board of Health, when I was first elected well over 20 years ago, was to make this a Board that HELPED people, staying within the rules and regulations, but always trying to HELP.

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championship this past weekend. Chairman DeCosta noted that it was a pleasure watching his granddaughter, Tiffany, a senior, participate in the games.

As per a request made by Kim O'Neale-Corazzini, the board voted to declare Tuesday, April 14 as "Lady Bulldog Day." A regional celebration will begin at 6:00 pm at the Old Rochester Regional High School flag pole.

The following meetings were scheduled for the week:

• Thursday, March 19 - SRTA meeting at the New Bedford Art Museum at 5:00 pm.

• Saturday, March 21 - 160th Anniversary Celebration of Ned's Point Lighthouse from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

• Monday, March 23 at 4:00 pm - SRPEDD will hold a meeting at the New Bedford Art Museum.

• Saturday, March 28 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon - Coalition for Buzzards Bay will hold its annual meeting at UMass Dartmouth.

• Thursday, March 26 at 10:00 am - Council of SEMASS Communities has scheduled a meeting at the Sheraton in Plymouth.

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• Franchise fee of $1,165 from MediaOne.

• Notice that the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) will conduct a FY 1999 grant round for the Self-Help and Urban Self-Help Programs. These programs provide state financial

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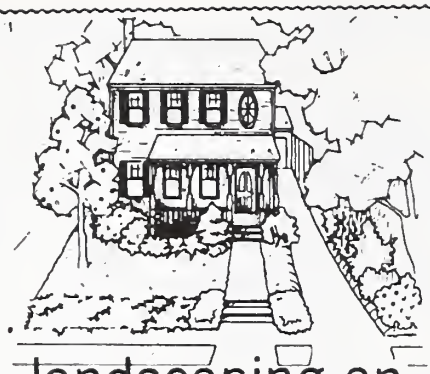

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• Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) forwarded information approving the proposed monitoring well locations as submitted on behalf of the town by Tighe & Bond.

Executive Secretary Carol Adams raised the issue of the applications for the appointment of Town Constables. Revised applications had been given to each board member. The board decided to accept the new applications; with Selectman Bernier noting it was "something we should remedy immediately." The new applications were amended so that appointed Constables were required to be town residents, and a copy of these applications would be sent to all interested parties.

The only appointment on the agenda for the evening was with Rod Taylor of Taylor Seafood of Mattapoisett, Inc. Mr. Taylor came in to request a renewal of his aquaculture license to grow bay scallops in Mattapoisett waters. He has been in the business for seven years.

He explained to the board that there were a few modifications he would like to see regarding his license. First, he would like the license to be good for ten years, not seven years as was previously decided in 1990. Second, he wanted to see a decrease in the cost he pays

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Selectman Bernier, on the other hand, made the argument that the town was charging Mr. Taylor the maximum amount according to state statute. Adding that other businesses in town are not charged the maximum amount, she thought it fair to cut the fee in half, "I don't know why that wouldn't be an equitable solution," she said.

Ultimately, the license was renewed and the board voted to lower the fee to $15 per acre, per year.

The board then unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 8:00 pm with George Viveiros to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property which may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the town and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

March 17, 1998

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, March 17, 1998 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Loretta B. Schaefer. Also present were Selectman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson, Selectman

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At 7:04 pm the members of the championship Lady Bulldogs basketball team from Old Rochester Regional High School came before the board along with their coaches. The board wished to express their congratulations and appreciation to the team, which recently won the Division 3 state championship. "We'd like to congratulate you," said Chairman Schaefer. "You are models for all of us ... you worked hard and you worked well together. You showed us that there are some wonderful things going on at ORR High School."

The board presented each of the girls with a certificate of appreciation from the town and a pair of red carnations. Chairman Schaefer also pointed out a bulletin

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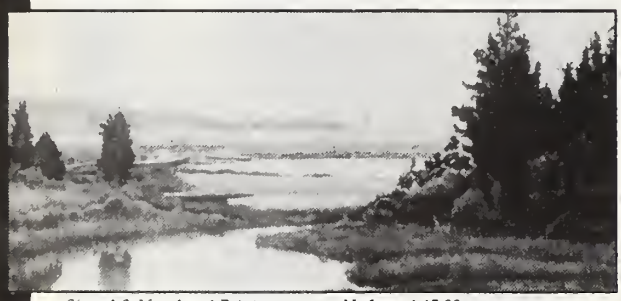

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board in the Selectmen's Office which was adorned with newspaper clippings of their recent achievements. "We've been saving all the articles from the paper ... we've set up a memorial to you," she said.

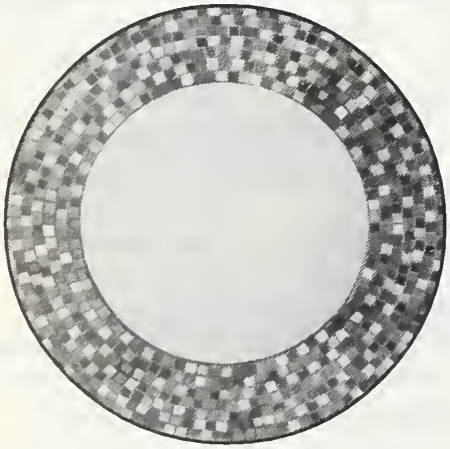
"The girls are truly reflective of the community and their parents," said Coach Robert Hohne. "And we appreciate all the support we've had from the towns in our quest for the first ORR state championship."

On a similar note, under incoming correspondence, the board received a request from Kim A. O'Neale-Corazzini of Mattapoisett to declare Tuesday, April 14 as "Lady Bulldog Day" in Marion. "It is my belief that these young ladies represent the very essence of our communities," the letter stated. "They are fine athletes and they're sportsmanship and team spirit have warmed and brightened these cold and gray days of March."

The board unanimously voted to declare Tuesday, April 14 as "Lady Bulldog Day" in Marion. A celebration has been proposed by Ms. O'Neal-Corazzini to be held at 6:00 pm at the ORR High School flagpole. "This is a wonderful suggestion," Chairman Schaefer said.

Town Counsel Marc R. Deshaies sent notification that the town's deed for a 911-square-foot parcel of land off Point Road has been recorded with the Plymouth County Register of Deeds on January 7, 1998.

The board next received a signed petition from 24 residents along Briggs Lane to make repairs to eliminate a



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puddle at the top of the lane. "After a heavy rain, there is a large puddle that forms at the Route 6 end of the road," the petition states. "The band-aid job that was done a few years ago has, in no way, taken care of the problem."

Chairman Schaefer noted that the road is on the town's list of projects scheduled for this year. Mr. Pickles advised that they will be sending an engineering crew to the site shortly to measure the elevations and prepare the necessary plans.

Susan Grosart, Chairman of the Marion School Committee, next sent a letter to the board regarding the

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recent discussion of the Beverly Yacht Club's use of the Sippican School parking lot for large events. Ms. Grosart wanted to make it clear that the school would be delighted to offer this service as a community resource, "however, as you know, parking is limited in our lot and on Spring Street when staff and parents are at school. Therefore, the School Committee requests that any such parking requirement for the BYC include a reminder that our lot is not available during the school term."

Chairman Schaefer said the board will certainly remind the Beverly Yacht Club that the school facility can only be used when school is not in session. "The regattas usually take place in the summer ... in July and August," she said.

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) next sent notification that $2,126 in unencumbered excess and deficiency funds/surplus revenue is available for the Old Rochester Regional School District. Under the provisions of Chapter 71, Section 16 B 1/2, any amount in excess of $409,602 must be used to reduce assessments.

At 7:30 pm the board met with T. J. Walker, Jay

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Crowley, and Bob Bennett of the Planning Board, and Lee Hayes, author of the town's "Open Space and Recreation Plan: 1998-2003," to discuss revisions to the plan. Mr. Walker noted that the Planning Board has met with Mr. Hayes, and they have made some changes in the data which was used from 1995 and 1996.

"We adjusted a few of the action items to reflect what (data) has changed since 1995," Mr. Hayes said. "We didn't change any of the goals or strategies, though."

"We've made some changes ... and everyone seems to be happy with the plan," Mr. Walker said. "Because there have been some changes made, we still need to hold another Public Hearing. At this point, I think we're all comfortable with the document ... I suggest we proceed with establishing (the Open Space Acquisition Committee)."

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Mr. Pickles suggested the Public Hearing be held during the April 7 Selectmen's meeting so that they could have time to place an article on the upcoming Annual Town Meeting warrant to establish an elected Open Space Acquisition Committee as recommended in the plan.

Both the Selectmen and Mr. Hayes, however, questioned whether a seven-member committee was too large. "Looking back on it, I think a seven-member board might be too many," Mr. Hayes said. Chairman Schaefer agreed, suggesting it be reduced to five members.

"I think five members is sufficient for an elected office," Mr. Pickles added.

With that, the board agreed to schedule the Public Hearing and also unanimously voted to place an article on the Town Meeting warrant to establish a five-member elected Open Space Acquisition Committee.

"I'd like to thank you all," Chairman Schaefer said. "There was a great deal of effort which went into this plan."

The board received a request from Dale Jones that Carl Lamoureux be granted a six-month leave of absence as a Marion EMT without compensation. The board unanimously approved the request.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:46 pm.

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

March 16, 1998

By Rebecca Fortin

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, March 16, 1998 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Richard D. Cutler. Also present were Selectman Lorraine Roy Hawkes, Selectman William D. Chamberlain, Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere, and Executive Secretary Russell Dean.

The first order of business on the agenda was Executive Secretary Russell Dean's report. Mr. Dean discussed the need for the board to consider holding a second Tri-Town Selectmen's Meeting, possibly in June, to discuss three ongoing tri-town issues that remain unresolved.

The three towns — Rochester, Marion, and Mattapoisett — are in need of a Grant Writer/Planner for the upcoming year. The towns also are still in need of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator, which would serve the three towns on a regional basis. Lastly, there is ongoing discussion regarding the

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Chairman Cutler stressed the need for the three towns to remain in close contact with one another, particularly over the summer months. The board agreed that as soon as budget talks and Town Meetings were complete, that the towns will meet for another Tri-Town Selectmen's Meeting.

Chairman Cutler requested that the board send individual letters of congratulations to all members of the female varsity basketball team at Old Rochester Regional High School for a job well done. The team won the Division 3 state championship the previous weekend.

Under incoming correspondence for the week were the following letters and correspondence:

• A letter from Mark S. Petri of New Bedford Road, expressing his interest in becoming a member on the Historic District Study Committee. Currently, there are two people committed to be on the committee, and two more who have sent letters of interest. The board would like to see a minimum of one more person on the committee. Chairman Cutler would like to have all of the interested parties meet with them in two weeks.

• A letter from Cindie Desjeunes of Rounseville Road sending thanks the Fire Department, Police Department, and volunteers, who responded to minor house fire at her residence. She explains that all of those involved were very professional and respectful of her property.

• A memo from Police Chief Walter Denham requesting that the board consider the placement of a stop sign on the right side of Vaughan Hill Road, approaching the intersection of New Bedford Road. The board will contact Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge and request that the sign be erected.

• A letter from Supervisor of Veteran Graves

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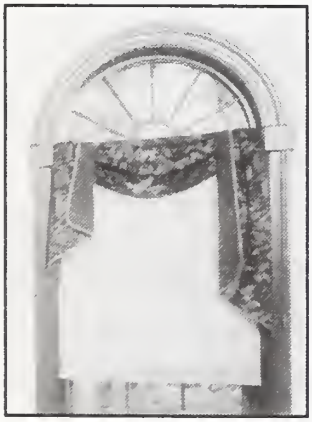

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Wilfred Boutin regarding the placement of a Vietnam memorial marker at Dagget's Square. Currently, there are similar markers and a board of names from World War I, World War II, and the Korean War. The new proposed stone would compliment the others, and would read: "Vietnam: Those Who Fought For Each Other. 1957-1975." The estimated cost would be $325 for the plaque, and $350 for the mounting of the plaque. The board agreed to take this under advisement and will determine where the funding for such an item will be drawn.

At 7:30 pm representatives from Allen Lieb Architects presented their proposal for a new Public Safety Facility in Rochester.

Mr. Lieb explained to the board and to the

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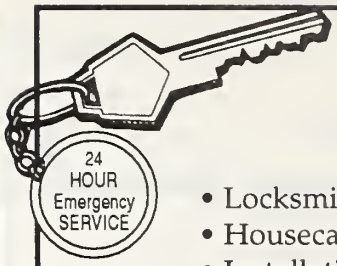

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Finance Committee (FinCom) that there was a feasibility study done within the town to determine the needs, and to help facilitate the proposal for the firm. Mr. Lieb went on to explain that several interviews were done with various department heads to determine their needs, including their efficiency, the accessibility of vehicles, handicap accessibility, levels of security, cost considerations, and the utilization of mutual space. All these factors were considered in the preliminary profile. The size of Rochester and its potential for growth were also factored in. In addition, Mr. Lieb, along with Russell Dean, toured the town in search of possible sites for the facility.

For the purpose of the presentation Dexter Lane was used, but that site is certainly not the only possibility. The town ideally would like to use a site that is already owned by the town, but if an appropriate site does not exist, they could pursue other options. Also, they want to avoid using land that is too close to a residential area.

Mr. Lieb said that there were several options for the facility, including:

• A five-bay fire and police station, which would close the existing facilities;

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Mr. Lieb gave two estimates for the projects, explaining that they were "soup to nuts" estimates, and also that there were several hundred thousand contingency dollars included in the estimates that could be excluded once specifics were known.

The first proposal would be a 25,000-square-foot complex that would include three bays, where all of the fire equipment would fit, a maintenance bay, as well as several other amenities. The estimated cost for such a facility would be $5.3 million. "I don't think you'd use all this space," admitted Mr. Lieb, adding that this would be a "hard sell."

Next, he proposed a facility on the same Dexter Lane site, one of 15,000 square feet, that would include six bays, no maintenance bay, dormitories, male and female facilities, a sally port for a security zone, police and fire offices, two holding cells (which was determined by the number of arrests and the types of crimes committed), a juvenile cell, a victim area, storage for records, and more vehicle space. The estimated cost for such a facility would be $3.2 million. Mr. Lieb felt confident that the $2 million

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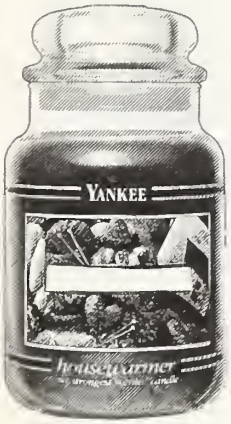

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A member of the FinCom raised the question as to why current facilities are not being utilized in these proposals. Mr. Lieb explained that those buildings, both the fire and police buildings, were unsafe, citing insufficient exhaust systems. They are also "jammed with equipment," there is a lack of offices, and no space for training. Not to mention, he added, the police currently are using a trailer for their offices, which are "very tough conditions to operate under."

These facilities are designed to accommodate the departments for 30 to 50 years, and could accommodate a full-time fire department of fifteen members.

The board agreed to discuss these options with the FinCom, and said they would meet again with Mr. Lieb within a couple of weeks to determine their next plan of action.

Acushnet Selectmen's Meeting

March 16, 1998

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, March 16 at 5:40 pm at the Acushnet Community Center on Middle Road by Chairman Robert J. St. Jean. Also present were Selectman Peter W. Koczera and Selectman Everett L. Hardy Jr.

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The board first unanimously voted to appoint Rebekah Tomlinson as a Constable with the town as per her application filed two weeks ago. Chairman St. Jean noted that Ms. Tomlinson's background check had been cleared by Police Chief Michael Poitras.

The board also unanimously voted to appoint Valarie Lacasse of Ashley Lane to the Finance Committee (FinCom) as per a recommendation of FinCom Chairman John Howcroft. "I've known (Ms. Lacasse) for quite some time ... she is the Vice President for Citizens Bank," Chairman St. Jean said. "She's very interested in serving on the Finance Committee and has sat in on several meetings."

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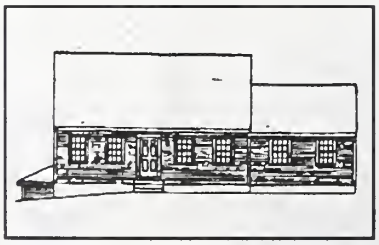

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Threlfall so that she could attend the next FinCom meeting.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received a memo from DPW Superintendent Richard Settele regarding road repairs and the paving of trench areas on Garfield, Hayes and John Streets. According to Mr. Settele, the contractor who worked in that area was requested only to compact the surface layer of material that would be disturbed by his own operation.

"It was anticipated that he would disturb the top 2 to 3 inches of earth material by removing excess material or by placing material to bring it up to grade before paving," he wrote. "At no time was it expected or anticipated that this contractor would be expected to be responsible for the full depth compaction of the trench."

Chairman St. Jean noted that this memo was in response to his inquiry regarding problems which have occurred at the site. "That work had been done by an individual contractor ... my concern was where the liability lay in terms of damage incurred to two vehicles," he said.

The board noted they had received a bill for $1,811 from Koczera Oil for towing and repair of a truck which had been damaged in the trench. The board unanimously voted to forward this bill along with a copy of the memo to the Board of Public Works (BPW) and Feitelberg Insurance, the town's carrier.

The Building Department next requested a

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transfer from the Reserve Fund in the amount of $23 to cover additional costs for Training and Testing. Currently, there is only $172 in the account. The board unanimously approved the transfer request.

The South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation next sent a letter to the board requesting that the town participate in their Micro Loan Program to assist small businesses. Since 1994, the SEED Corporation has assisted over 90 businesses in southeastern Massachusetts resulting in the creation of over 130 jobs. The board unanimously voted to sign and approve their participation in this program.

Safety Officer Paul Melo next sent a memo to the

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board responding to their request to investigate metal plates which have been placed over a trench on Mendall Road and Holly Avenue. According to Officer Melo, he spoke to DPW Superintendent Richard Settele and was told that the job had been completed at the location, but the road could not be paved until the ground dried and settled so as to avoid sinking.

Officer Melo also spoke with the Massachusetts Highway Engineering department and found there was no standard height specification for the metal plates. "In my opinion, the work should be taken care of as soon as possible, but under the conditions there is no other way to complete the task," he wrote. "At this time there does not seem to be a problem with the location."

The board voted to place this memo on file and also to forward a copy to the person who initially filed a complaint regarding the metal plates.

The Conservation Commission (ConCom) next sent a memo to the board regarding the donation of land on Mattapoisett Road to the town from Maurice Bourque along with the Quitclaim Deed for the property. Chairman St. Jean said he reviewed the deed and it looked fine to him. It was prepared by an attorney and the ConCom had approved it. With that, the board unanimously voted to sign and approve the deed, accepting the donation from Mr. Bourque to the town.

The Acushnet Boy Scout Troop #37 next sent a request to use Fire Station #1 for their annual Car Wash to

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be held on Saturday, May 16 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm (rain date: May 23). The board unanimously voted to approve the request with the understanding that the troop would pay a nominal fee for the water used during the car wash.

The board next received a copy of a letter from the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) to grant writer Sharon Gay regarding the Burt School/Acushnet Senior Center on Main Street. According to the letter, the Town of Acushnet has not yet submitted a comprehensive inventory of their historic resources to the MHC. Therefore, the Burt School is not listed among the town's historical assets.

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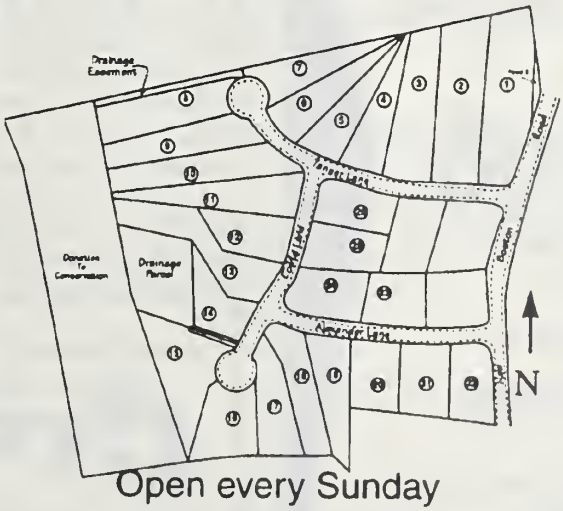

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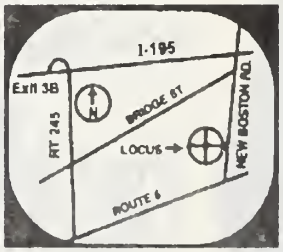

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difficult to access the significance of any existing building in town," wrote Karen Andrews Parker of the MHC. "Despite this fact, it is clear that the Burt School is an important historic resource."

The board voted to forward this letter to the Historical Commission, the Building Department, and the Council on Aging, and they also requested that the Historical Commission inform them as to when they expect an inventory of the town's historic structures to be completed.

At 6:20 pm the board met with Gary Coppa, a part-time police officer with the town who has been recommended by Police Chief Poitras for a full-time opening with the department. "I've known Gary for a number of years, and I think he has represented the town in a favorable fashion over that time," Chairman St. Jean said. The other board members agreed and they unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Coppa as a full-time police office with the town.

"The other candidate (James Pelletier) came very highly recommended," added Chairman St. Jean. "I think the town is fortunate to have two good candidates come forward ... it speaks very highly of the (police) department."

At 6:30 pm the board met with Animal Control Officer (ACO) Alfred Brouillette, Assistant ACO Manuel Maciel, and FinCom Chairman John Howcroft to discuss the placing of an article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant to fund a full-time Animal Control Officer position. "Last year, the FinCom recommended that the town fund a full-time Animal Control Officer, but problems arose which resulted in (the article) being voted down," Chairman St. Jean said. "We wanted to get a sense of where (the FinCom) stands this year."

Mr. Howcroft said he feels the FinCom will make the same recommendation again this year and is still supportive of funding a full-time ACO for Acushnet.

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Selectman Hardy said he felt last year's Town Meeting vote was based on a "personality problem" with the current ACO, Alfred Brouillette. "I think we're going to have the same thing happen again this year," he said. "We might have to make some personnel changes before we proceed."

Selectman Hardy suggested that Mr. Brouillette and Mr. Maciel "switch roles" as ACO and Assistant ACO in presenting the article to Town Meeting voters. "I don't think we can present (Mr. Brouillette) as the full-time

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ACO," he said. "It's not going to fly."

Mr. Brouillette said he didn't understand where this perception was coming from. "I don't know where you get the idea that this is a personality problem," he said. "I've been serving this town for 13 years ... I've never had any complaints."

Selectman Koczera suggested that they proceed with the Town Meeting article to fund the full-time ACO and not worry about who will be filling the position. "If people ask, we'll just say we haven't selected anyone to fill the position," Selectman Koczera said. "We'll take applications once the position has been established."

The board unanimously voted to proceed with placing an article on the Town Meeting warrant to create a full-time ACO, and requested that the FinCom prepare some figures to fund the position.

In other business, the board unanimously voted to:

• Delay a continuance of the public hearing on the discontinuation of Thomas Street for two weeks to allow the DPW to look into the potential problems with a 12-inch drain in the road;

• Place two articles on the upcoming Annual Town Meeting warrant to consider funding one of two possible water sources in town — one on Hamlin Street and the other on the so-called Rivet property — after hearing a presentation on the viability of both sites as serving the town's water needs.

Sports Shorts

By Kenneth J. Souza

• **ORR High School**

• The **Lady Bulldogs** of Old Rochester Regional High School persevered and went on to win the **Division 3 State Championship** during a final match-up against Lee High School Wildcats at the Worcester Centrum last Saturday, March 14. The final score was 51 to 32. Congratulations are extended to the ORR team for a job well done!

• A **Wellness General Information Meeting for Spring Sports** will be held in the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium on **Monday, March 23** from 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm. Student-Athletes are required to attend with one parent. For further information, please call the school at 758-3745.

• **ORR Junior High School**

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• The first **Warm-Up** will be held on **April 12** with no entry fee required. The FREE show will include the following events: three barrel; hair pin; Texas barrel; safety pin; speed, action and control; and thread the needle.

• A second **Warm-Up** will be held on **April 26** as part of the "Pansy Shaw Memorial Show." All proceeds collected from the $15 entrance fee will be donated to the Shaw Family. The show will include the following events: three barrel; hair pin; Texas barrel; 1/4 horse figure-8; New York Pony Express; and trash ball race.

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Raindates for all events will be held on May 31 and October 11. Free parking is available. No stallions, checks, or alcoholic beverages allowed. Riders under 18 must wear a helmet. The Salty Dog Ranch Showground is located on Crystal Spring Road in Mattapoisett. For more information, please call **John Ford** (508-586-3246) or **Ken Dawicki** (758-6940).

• **Mattapoisett Babe Ruth Baseball**

Sign-ups and try-outs for the two Mattapoisett teams in the **Gateway Babe Ruth Baseball League** will be held at **1:00 pm on Sunday, March 22** at the ORR Varsity Baseball Field. The try-outs are open to any Mattapoisett players, ages 13 through 15 (born after July 31, 1982, but before August 1, 1985). The Babe Ruth season runs from May 10 to early July. All 13- and 14-year-olds who try out will play a 10-plus game Prep League season which starts in mid-April. Players from last year's Braves and Twins teams do not have to try out again. Please call **Mattapoisett Recreation Director John Haley** at **758-9338** or **Coaches Gary Schuyler (758-3947)** or **Mark Mahoney (758-6422)** for further information.

Please send all Sports Shorts items and suggestions to Sports Shorts, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Or you can fax information to our office at (508) 758-4845.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The Lions Club of Mattapoisett wishes to thank the people who helped support our first Evening of Entertainment. The talent in our area has impressed us beyond anticipation. We applaud you again!

Also we wish to extend thank yous to some special people who are not members who dedicated their time and skills to help make the show a success:

Melody Pacheco and Joanne LeBlanc; Pat Muldoon for the festive stage decor; Bruce Cobb for the theatrical lighting effects; David LeBeau's input; Corin Collins for our photography; ORR High School for the cooperation and use of the facilities.

More thank yous go out to the establishments that helped with the raffles, including: Just Kidding; The Leeward; Great Scapes; Harbor Days Committee; The Vandals.

Videos of the show may be purchased for $5.99 at the Seaport Village Ice Cream Shoppe thanks to Wayne Vandal's

E. Robert Garde of Dawson Real Estate Better Homes & Gardens has recently completed the *Better Homes & Gardens Advantage Training Program®* at the Woburn Educational Center and received a certificate of accomplishment. Topics covered were Listing and Selling techniques, relocation procedures and the *Better Homes & Gardens Home Merchandising and Home Marketing Systems®*.

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Sincerely,
Mattapoisett Lions Club

To the Editor:

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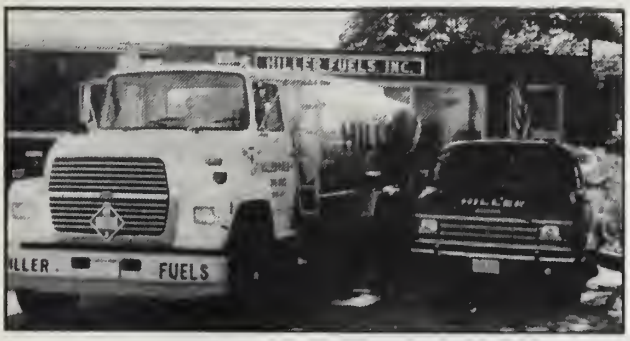

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Sincerely,
Charles A. Morgan
Mattapoisett

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The PACT (Prevention and Cessation of Tobacoo) Program is sponsoring a FREE smoking cessation program called the American Cancer Society's "FreshStart" Program. The program will be held at the Old Rochester Regional Junior High School at 7:00 pm on March 19, 24, 26, 31, and April 6. The FreshStart Program provides smokers with the knowledge and support needed to successfully become a non-smoker. Registration is limited, so interested smokers should call Judith Coykendall at 748-3531 at their earliest convenience.

Seaport Lecture Series

The next Lecture Series at the Seaport Ice Cream and Coffee Shoppe in Mattapoisett will be held on Wednesday, March 25 from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. The topic will be "Shame on Us? Who's to blame for the decline of civility — don't ask the 'alibi artists.'" The lecture will be

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Movies & Entertainment

Iron performances mask plotline in routine literary adaptation

By Rob Gonsalves
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■ *The Man in the Iron Mask.* Starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Jeremy Irons. Directed by Randall Wallace. Running time: 117 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13. At Cinema 12 at the North Dartmouth Mall.

The Man in the Iron Mask arrives at the perfect time to capitalize on the Leo-mania left in the wake of *Titanic*. Here's Leonardo DiCaprio, the latest heartthrob for teenage girls, in not one but *two* roles. Unfortunately, neither of those roles is terribly interesting — at least not as rewritten by rookie director Randall Wallace (he wrote the script for *Braveheart)* from the Alexandre Dumas novel. DiCaprio is stuck playing a cardboard villain, the young and contemptible Louis XIV, and his virtuous twin brother Philippe, who's been in prison for six years hidden behind the iron mask of the title. The former role requires a lot of pouting and bad attitude, the latter a fair helping of doe-eyed innocence and purity unsullied by imprisonment.

This *Iron Mask* isn't any more of a desecration than any of the other recent Literature 90210 movies, like *Great Expectations* or DiCaprio's own *Romeo + Juliet*. And, given that generations of readers have taken Dumas's books as rousing adventure stories, one can't accuse Randall Wallace of oversimplifying great art. The movie is fast-paced and colloquial, and Wallace delivers a meat-and-potatoes costume adventure. But I was still bored, my attention wandering to such improper questions as whether the twin brothers had the same hair extensions.

One problem is that, in this telling, we don't care much about Louis or Philippe. Much more interesting, potentially, are the aging musketeers — D'Artagnan (Gabriel Byrne), Aramis (Jeremy Irons), Athos (John Malkovich), and Porthos (Gerard Depardieu) — who yearn for their long-gone swashbuckling days and must decide what to do when the king they've sworn to serve is a little twerp who couldn't care less that the people of France are starving. D'Artagnan is closer to the king (and to the Queen Mother, played by Anne Parillaud) than are his former confederates, who plot to

remove Louis and replace him with Philippe.

The casting of the musketeers is hit-and-miss. As has been pointed out elsewhere, Depardieu is the only one of them who actually *is* French, and you watch him up there with the other Brits and Americans and think, "What's this French guy doing here?" Nevertheless, his rude-boy performance (he's like John Belushi dropped into the midst of *Masterpiece Theatre)* is the best reason to see the movie, and Jeremy Irons continues to have one of the most exquisite voices in sound films; I was tempted several times to close my eyes and enjoy his phrasing of such otherwise dull lines as "I will kill him and the man who told me about him."

The other two musketeers are a problem. Malkovich, at this point, can't be bothered to create a character. He just shows up on the set and reads his lines in the same dead, fey voice he's used in every movie from *The Killing Fields* to *Con Air*. And Byrne's performance as the conflicted D'Artagnan seems too close to his Tom Regan in *Miller's Crossing* — I kept expecting him to dream about a hat. I was glad to see the British comedian Hugh Laurie as one of Louis's yes-men, but he's killed off almost as soon as he's introduced. Unfortunately, Judith Godreche doesn't share that fate; she plays Christine, a sweet, poor girl whom Louis steals from Athos's son, and she's like a French Demi Moore — with all the blandness that implies.

Speaking of blandness: Leonardo DiCaprio's career seems to be regressing. Once capable of complex work in *This Boy's Life* and *What's Eating Gilbert Grape*, he now appears to be trapped in his new role as the late-'90s cover boy. Certainly *The Man in the Iron Mask* milks the hell out of him. He was aggressively awful as the bratty Rimbaud in *Total Eclipse*, but I'd almost rather see that again — at least it was an attempt at something challenging and different — than Leo's pretty-boy performances here. He needs to work with someone like John Waters, who paved the way for Johnny Depp to transcend his dreamboat image by parodying it. *The Man in the Iron Mask* verges on unconscious parody. I like DiCaprio, and I wish he'd take off the iron mask of stardom and show us his real face again.

Movie Listings

■ CINEMA 140

376 Hathaway Road, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Line: 999-6577 / Office: 999-4240.

Friday (March 20) through Wednesday (March 25)

Hush (PG-13) – Fri: 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Sat/Sun: 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Mon-Wed: 7:00, 9:00
Spice World (PG) – Fri: 2:15; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:15
Dark City (R) – Fri-Sun: 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon-Wed: 6:45, 9:00
As Good As It Gets (PG-13) – Fri: 3:00, 6:45, 9:30; Sat/Sun: 12:15, 3:00, 6:45, 9:30; Mon-Wed: 6:30, 9:15
The Wedding Singer (PG-13) – Fri: 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Mon-Wed: 7:00, 9:15
Mr. Nice Guy* (PG-13) – Fri: 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Sat/Sun: 12:15, 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Mon-Wed: 7:00, 9:00
The Big Lebowski (R) – Fri: 5:15, 10:00; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 5:15, 10:00; Mon-Wed: 9:15
L.A. Confidential (R) – Fri-Sun: 2:30, 7:20; Mon-Wed: 6:30

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Friday (March 20) through Thursday (March 26)

Primary Colors (R) – 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:20
Wild Things (R) – 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:40
Man in the Iron Mask (PG-13) – 12:40, 1:10, 3:30, 4:00, 6:40, 7:10, 9:20, 9:40
Wings of the Dove (R) – 1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30
Twilight (R) – 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
U.S. Marshals (PG-13) – 1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30,
The Borrowers (PG) – 12:40, 2:40, 4:40
Senseless (PG-13) – 12:50, 2:50, 4:50, 6:50, 9:00
Titanic (PG-13) – 12:30, 2:50, 4:20, 7:20, 8:10
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The Apostle (PG-13) – 6:30, 9:10

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Thursday, March 26 — Turkey with gravy, mashed potato, peas, or ham and soup, milk, dessert.
Friday, March 27 — French bread pizza, salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

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Monday, March 23 — Beef stew, whipped potatoes, light rye roll, chilled fruit.
Tuesday, March 24 — BBQ chicken leg, hash brown potatoes, chuckwagon blend vegetables, potato bread, vanilla pudding.
Wednesday, March 25 — Roast pork with gravy, oven roasted potatoes, winter squash, dinner roll, birthday cake.
Thursday, March 26 — Beef strip steak with gravy, rice pilaf, Harvard beets, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit.
Friday, March 27 — Fish cakes with ketchup, vegetarian beans, zucchini and summer squash, dark rye roll, chilled fruit.

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Monday, March 23 — Hot dog with baked beans, or Steak'Um, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Tuesday, March 24 — Beef taco with lettuce, tomato, cheese, or toasted cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, milk.
Wednesday, March 25 — Ravioli with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, soup, fruit, milk.
Thursday, March 26 — Roasted turkey, mashed potato with gravy, or chicken patty on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Friday, March 27 — Linguiça pizza, cheese pizza, or tuna pocket, tossed salad, soup, fruit, milk.

FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog on a roll, meatball sub, grated mozzarella, hot pastrami grinder, baked beans, oven fries, chilled applesauce, chocolate whip dessert.
Tuesday, March 24 — Kentucky style chicken, hamburger/cheeseburger, Steak'Um and cheese sub, au gratin potatoes, corn, chilled peaches, peanut butter brownie.
Wednesday, March 25 — Cheese pizza, French meat pie with gravy, hot ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, peas, chilled pineapple, raspberry jello with topping.
Thursday, March 26 — American chop suey, grated mozzarella, hamburger/cheeseburger, shaved turkey club, potato puffs, tossed salad, chilled peaches, apple crisp with topping.
Friday, March 27 — Tomato soup with grilled cheese, potato crunch fish nuggets, egg salad pocket, oven fries, applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 23 — Kentucky style chicken, Italian sausage grinder, hamburger/cheeseburger, whipped potatoes, corn, chilled applesauce, chocolate pudding with topping.
Tuesday, March 24 — Spaghetti with meat sauce, grated mozzarella, ham and cheese on rye, shaved turkey club, salad, green beans, chilled pears, peanut butter brownie.
Wednesday, March 25 — Taco boat with all the fixings, double beef and cheese burrito with salsa, hot dog on a roll, chili, Spanish rice, tossed salad, jalapeno peppers, chilled peaches, baked custard with topping.
Thursday, March 26 — Meatball grinder, grated mozzarella, sausage pizza, "hero" grinder, chicken salad pocket, baked beans, oven fries, chilled applesauce, strawberry jello with topping.
Friday, March 27 — Cheese ravioli with sauce, grated mozzarella, garlic bread, steak and cheese grinder, seafood salad pocket, salad, potato puffs, mixed fruit, oatmeal cookie.

FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL ACUSHNET

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog, French fries, raw veggies, or ham and soup, milk, dessert.
Tuesday, March 24 — Tacos on soft shell, rice, peas, or turkey and soup, milk, dessert.
Wednesday, March 25 — EARLY RELEASE DAY: Chicken nuggets, rice, corn, or bologna and soup, milk, dessert.
Thursday, March 26 — Turkey with gravy, mashed potato, peas, or ham and soup, milk, dessert.
Friday, March 27 — French bread pizza, salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL FAIRHAVEN

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog on a roll, meatball sub, grated mozzarella, hot pastrami grinder, baked beans, oven fries, chilled applesauce, chocolate whip dessert.
Tuesday, March 24 — Kentucky style chicken, hamburger/cheeseburger, Steak'Um and cheese sub, au gratin potatoes, corn, chilled peaches, peanut butter brownie.
Wednesday, March 25 — Cheese pizza, French meat pie with gravy, hot ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, peas, chilled pineapple, raspberry jello with topping.
Thursday, March 26 — American chop suey, grated mozzarella, hamburger/cheeseburger, shaved turkey club, potato puffs, tossed salad, chilled peaches, apple crisp with topping.
Friday, March 27 — Tomato soup with grilled cheese, potato crunch fish nuggets, egg salad pocket, oven fries, applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog with baked beans, or Steak'Um, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Tuesday, March 24 — Beef taco with lettuce, tomato, cheese, or toasted cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, milk.
Wednesday, March 25 — Ravioli with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, soup, fruit, milk.
Thursday, March 26 — Roasted turkey, mashed potato with gravy, or chicken patty on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Friday, March 27 — Linguiça pizza, cheese pizza, or tuna pocket, tossed salad, soup, fruit, milk.

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOC-TECH HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 23 — Bacon burger, spicy fries, corn, fruit, peach shortcake.
Tuesday, March 24 — Juice, spaghetti with meat sauce, roll, salad, mixed fruit.
Wednesday, March 25 — Turkey salad roll, French fries, cranberry sauce, carrots, pudding.
Thursday, March 26 — Sloppy Joe, rice, peas, cheese wedge, marble cake.
Friday, March 27 — Soup, pizza or tuna, chips, green beans, dessert.

OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog with baked beans, or Steak'Um, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Tuesday, March 24 — Beef taco with lettuce, tomato, cheese, or toasted cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, milk.
Wednesday, March 25 — Ravioli with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, soup, fruit, milk.
Thursday, March 26 — Roasted turkey, mashed potato with gravy, or chicken patty on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Friday, March 27 — Linguiça pizza, cheese pizza, or tuna pocket, tossed salad, soup, fruit, milk.

ORR JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, March 23 — Soup, Sloppy Joe, chicken fritters, green beans, pudding, juice, milk.
Tuesday, March 24 — American chop suey, BBQ ribs, garlic bread, carrots, fruit, juice, milk.
Wednesday, March 25 — Soup, hamburg with gravy, chicken patties, mashed potato, corn, roll, fruit, juice, milk.
Thursday, March 26 — Beef taco, or Italian sub, lettuce, tomato, nacho, cheese sauce, pudding, juice, milk.
Friday, March 27 — Meatball sub, or grilled chicken fillet, pickle, fries, fruit, juice, milk.

SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog with baked beans, or Steak'Um, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
Tuesday, March 24 — Beef taco with lettuce, tomato, cheese, or toasted cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, milk.
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Thursday, March 26 — Roasted turkey, mashed potato with gravy, or chicken patty on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.
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ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL FAIRHAVEN

Monday, March 23 — Hot dog on a roll, meatball sub, grated mozzarella, hot pastrami grinder, baked beans, oven fries, chilled applesauce, chocolate whip dessert.
Tuesday, March 24 — Kentucky style chicken, hamburger/cheeseburger, Steak'Um and cheese sub, au gratin potatoes, corn, chilled peaches, peanut butter brownie.
Wednesday, March 25 — Cheese pizza, French meat pie with gravy, hot ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, peas, chilled pineapple, raspberry jello with topping.
Thursday, March 26 — American chop suey, grated mozzarella, hamburger/cheeseburger, shaved turkey club, potato puffs, tossed salad, chilled peaches, apple crisp with topping.
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Sippican Pomona Grange

The 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Sippican Pomona Grange #31 will be held on Saturday, April 4 at the Highlander Restaurant, 789 Main Street, in Acushnet. Grange members from across the state are expected to join with the local membership in observance of the 75th anniversary celebration.

Sippican Pomona Grange is the regional grange with its membership comprised of the following subordinate (local) granges: Acushnet Grange, Fairhaven Grange, Rochester Grange, and South Middleboro Grange. Pomona meetings are held monthly in the various grange halls, with pomona officers representing the four subordinate granges.

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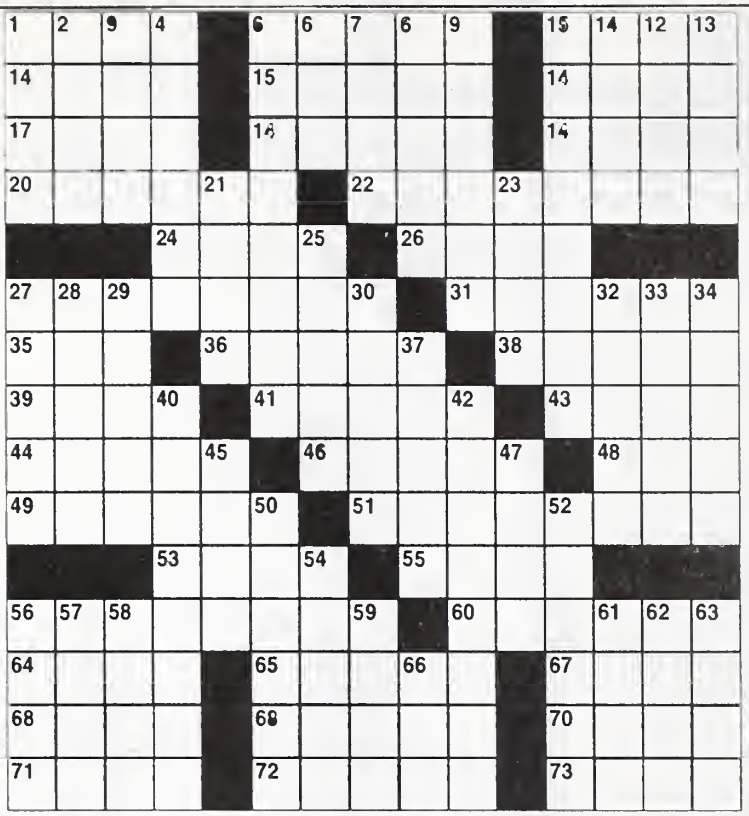

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65 Skirt feature
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70 Raison d'_
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72 Units of force
73 Herring kin

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6 Morse code symbol
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8 Gleans
9 Expensive fur
10 Hearts or rummy
11 Racetrack
12 Distance measure
13 Wide sts.
21 Wooden-soled shoe
23 Nursemaid
25 Breaks suddenly
27 Specific moment
28 Loosen
29 Show emotion
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32 Upright
33 Ford or Kovacs
34 Yorkshire city
37 Glutted
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45 Flightless bird
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50 Squealed
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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). Money management is your major theme. Travel is almost good, but it looks like there are complications.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Team up with a friend to improve your chances of success. Move quickly to get the best deal.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Organize family and co-workers to solve a community problem. By working together, you can clean things up and make it safe for everyone.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Provide what's needed to push an older person to success. Your attention could make all the difference.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). This is a very lucrative phase for you. There's money coming in. Stick close to home.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're so powerful that you're beginning to draw attention. You make things look easy.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You know what you ought to be doing, so start putting in the correction. Give money to a partner for something that will benefit you both.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're a very strong leader. You'll motivate the whole team to perform beyond their own expectations.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Keep most of what you know to yourself. The odds of being misunderstood or misinterpreted are way too high.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Collaborate with friends to master a difficult subject. You'll inspire each other to be magnificent.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll have to do as you're told, but the rewards could be quite generous. Turn it down anyway, if it's illegal.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). A foreign contact should bring the money you need. Get a highly organized person to help you with a difficult assignment.

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Macafee, Past Master of Marion Grange. The first Master (President) of Sippican Pomona Grange was J. Newton Barrows, the first Lecturer of Sippican Pomona Grange was Louise Westgate.

The 75th Anniversary celebration will begin at 11:30 am with a reception, followed by a dinner at 12:30 pm. Following the dinner, the Worthy National Grange Master, Kermit Richardson, will present a message to the membership from the National Grange. National Master Richardson was reelected as the Master of the National Grange when the 131st annual convention of the National Grange was held in Springfield, MA in November, 1997. National Master Richardson and his wife, Margaret, reside in Vermont.

The Master of the Massachusetts State Grange, Kathleen Peterson, will present a message from the Massachusetts State Grange. Master Peterson was elected as the Master of the Massachusetts State Grange in October, 1997, making her the first woman to hold the highest elected office in the Massachusetts State Grange. Master Peterson and her husband, Robert, reside in Jefferson, MA.

Herbert LaFleur, Past Master of Sippican Pomona Grange, will serve as emcee for the afternoon program. Historical highlights of the grange's accomplishments over the past 75 years will be presented by Audra Cast, Past Master of Sippican Pomona Grange. Recognition of Past Masters (Presidents) and presentation of gifts will be presented by Paul Ouellette, Master of Sippican Pomona Grange. Recognition of Past Lecturers and presentation of gifts will be presented by June Millett, Musician of Sippican Pomona Grange and Shirley Westgate, Lady Assistant Steward of Sippican Pomona Grange, and daughters of the late Louise Westgate, the first Lecturer of Sippican Pomona Grange.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#688 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of David H. Fletcher who is seeking a variance from frontage requirements under section VIII.B of Protective By-Laws. Property is identified as 42 Old Tuck Bog Road, Assessors Plan 14, Lot 16. Public hearing will be conducted on Thursday, April 9, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Charles Wolf, Chairman 3/19, 3/26

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#689 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Heather M. Dupuis, 97 Featherbed Lane, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.D.9.a of Protective By-Laws to allow conversion of a single family dwelling to a two family dwelling. Public hearing will be conducted on Thursday, April 9, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Charles Wolf, Chairman 3/19, 3/26

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 13, 1998 at 7:15pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by AnnMarie Gould Cestari, 3 Birchwood St., Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

The Proposed project is to erect a greenhouse and attached shed on side of existing house. The project is located at 3 Birchwood Street and is further identified as Lot 72 on Assessors Map 14B.

Conservation Commission 03/19

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For those who can't do without their morning cup of coffee, remember that coffee wasn't introduced to Europe until the 16th century. People somehow did without for thousands of years before then.

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Speaking of late developments, France did not discontinue use of the guillotine for executions until the 20th century.

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Think it's rainy where you live? San Juan, Puerto Rico's average rainfall for the month of October is 5.71 inches.

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One of Jupiter's moons, Io, is the only other planet or moon aside from Earth that is known to have active volcanic eruptions.

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There are about 80 known species of rats in the world.

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The phrase "bleeding Kansas" came about, not because of conflict between settlers and Indians, but because of the violence sparked by slavery in the border state.

SPORTS TRIVIA

1. Who was the last pitcher to lead the American League in victories, ERA and strikouts before Roger Clemens accomplished the feat with the Toronto Blue Jays last season?

2. Who was the last non-Dodger to win NL Rookie of the Year before the Phillies' Scott Rolen in 1997?

3. Who was the last pair of pitchers to get 300 or more strikeouts in the same season before Pedro Martinez and Curt Schilling accomplished the feat last season?

4. What team holds the major-league record for hitting the most home runs in a season?

5. Who are the only two college basketball players to be named Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year for three years in a row?

6. What future U.S. Navy admiral was the high scorer in an NCAA Tournament title game?

1. Hal Newhouser of the Detroit Tigers, who led the AL in 1945 with 25 victories, a 1.81 ERA and 212 strikeouts.

2. Jeff Bagwell of the Houston Astros won the award in 1991 before L.A. Dodgers players won it from 1992 to 1996.

3. Nolan Ryan (329) and Steve Carlton (310), who both surpassed 300 strikeouts in the 1972 season.

4. The Seattle Mariners — led by Ken Griffey's 56 — smacked 264 home runs in 1997, smashing the previous mark of 257 by the Baltimore Orioles in 1996.

5. David Thompson of N.C. State in 1973-74-75 and Ralph Sampson of Virginia in 1981-82-83.

6. University of Oregon forward John Dick scored 15 points to lead the Ducks to a 46-33 victory over Ohio State to win the NCAA championship in 1939. Dicks later went on to command the USS Saratoga aircraft carrier and become an admiral.

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Fairhaven Historical Society Meeting

On Thursday evening, March 26 at 7:30 pm at the Seaport Inn (Route 6) in Fairhaven, the Fairhaven Historical Society has scheduled a special meeting for members and guests on "Hauntings and Poltergeists" featuring Dr. William Roll, internationally-known parapsychologist. His investigations of psychic phenomenon have been recorded and featured on TV documentaries including "Unsolved Mysteries," "The Unexplained," "Sightings," and Discovery Channel programs. He will be showing segments of these videos as part of his presentation.

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Dr. Roll is world-renowned for his research in the field of parapsychology. He has written more than 100 scientific papers which have appeared in journals throughout the world, edited ten volumes of the series "Research and Parapsychology," and authored three books on the subject. He has received degrees from the University of California, Berkeley, Oxford University, England, and his Ph.D. from Lund University, Sweden.

He did research for seven years with Dr. J. B. Rhine, the founder of modern parapsychology, at Duke University. He is professor of Parapsychology and Psychic Research at the State University of West Georgia, and is past president of Oxford University's Society of Psychical Research and past president of the International Parapsychological Association in the United States. As chairman of the Parapsychological Services Institute, he is constantly called upon to investigate psychic occurrences throughout the world.

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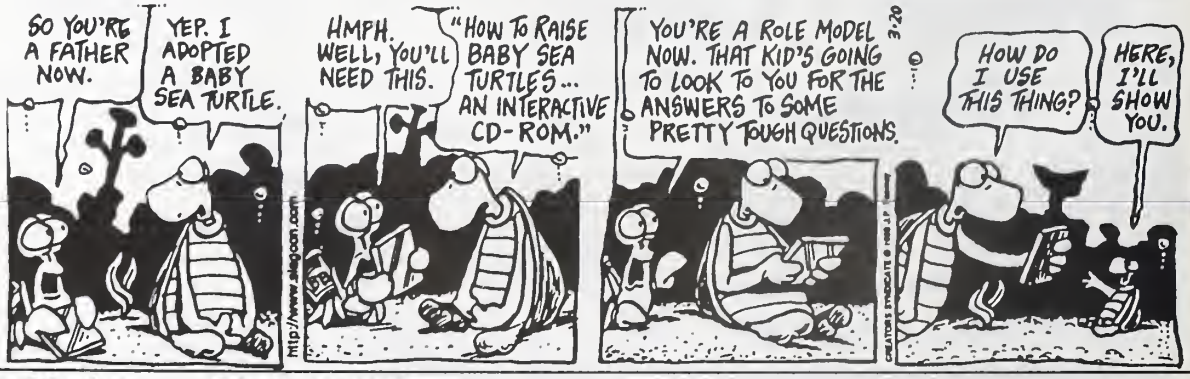

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Mattapoisett Woman's Club

The March meeting of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will be held at 12:00 noon in Reynard Hall of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church on Thursday, March 19. Tea, sandwiches, and sweets will be served, followed by the business meeting and program.

The speaker will be Maurice Parkonen, Floral Designer at RF Morse Company in West Wareham. Mr. Parkonon has been in the floral business for 26 years and will create several arrangements during his program. Guests are always welcome.

Steak Supper in Marion

The Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 VFW will hold a Steak Supper and Dance at 7:00 pm on Saturday, March 21 at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 in Marion. Music will be provided by Dick Aranjo and the Travelers. Tickets may be obtained by calling 295-2848, 748-0791, or 947-8799. Donation is $11 per person.

Candidates Night in Acushnet

Acushnet's twelfth annual Candidates' Night, sponsored as in previous years by Acushnet Citizens Together Improving Our Neighborhood, Inc. (ACTION), will take place on Thursday evening, March 19 at 7:00 pm in the auditorium of the Acushnet Elementary School (800 Middle Road).

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This year's event shapes up to be a lively and informative evening, with hotly-contested seats for Selectman and Board of Public Works. The current Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Bob St. Jean, is giving up his seat in order to run for Sheriff of Bristol County. The vacant seat is being contested by four candidates including the current Town Clerk, Richard Threlfall.

Most controversial is the BPW race, with two candidates for a one-year seat and four candidates for two three-year seats — two of whom are incumbents. With all the accusations, counter-charges, public demonstrations, and even movements for recall, the debate for these seats is likely to be spirited and a challenge for the Moderator. All Acushnet voters are strongly urged to attend.

Machacam Club - Mattapoisett

The Machacam Club will hold its next monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 1 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social will begin at 5:30 pm, with dinner service beginning at 6:00 pm. The speaker this month will be Charles Dunn. Mr. Dunn will speak on whalers in our area.

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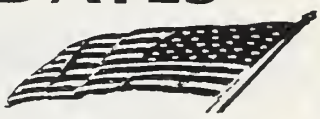

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There will be over $300 in auction/door prizes from the following merchants: Mattapoisett YMCA, No Kidding Toys, Mahoney's Hardware, Mattapoisett Inn, Mattapoisett Chowder House, Shipyard Galley, The Echelon, Sowle the Florist, Cerulli's, Roger's Gallery, and Anthony Days.

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by Mark Parisi

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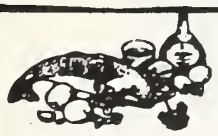
Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
March 19:	Thur.	. . .	12:02	4:54	5:04
March 20:	Fri.	12:27	12:58	5:43	5:56
March 21:	Sat.	1:26	2:00	6:42	6:58
March 22:	Sun.	2:29	3:02	7:50	8:10
March 23:	Mon.	3:30	4:01	9:01	9:24
March 24:	Tues.	4:28	4:55	10:08	10:32
March 25:	Wed.	5:21	5:46	11:07	11:33
March 26:	Thur.	6:12	6:36	. . .	12:00
March 27:	Fri.	7:02	7:25	12:28	12:49
March 28:	Sat.	7:51	8:14	1:20	1:36
March 29:	Sun.	8:40	9:03	2:10	2:23
March 30:	Mon.	9:30	9:54	3:00	3:10
March 31:	Tues.	10:22	10:47	3:50	3:58
April 1:	Wed.	11:16	11:43	4:43	4:49
April 2:	Thur.	. . .	12:14	5:41	5:46
April 3:	Fri.	12:43	1:16	6:49	6:55
April 4:	Sat.	1:45	2:18	8:15	8:29
April 5:	Sun.	3:48	4:19	10:38	10:57

Phases of the Moon		
	Last Quarter	March 21st
	New Moon	March 27th
	First Quarter	April 3rd
	Full Moon	April 11th



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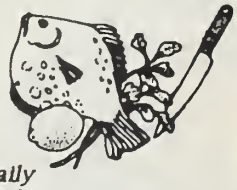

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Local Police Logs

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• Carol Street – breaking and entering/forced entry
• Hebert Road – summons issued (operating with suspended license)
• Carol Street – domestic disturbance/adult arrest (breaking and entering night time, intent to commit misdemeanor, malicious destruction of property over $250, trespassing)
• Peckham Road – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
• Sam Street – domestic disturbance
• Greenmeadow Drive – impounded dog/dangerous animal
• Park Drive – domestic disturbance
• Main Street - harassment
• Green Meadow Drive – humane call/injured animal
• Hindle Street – disturbance/noise complaint
• Sam Street – domestic disturbance/adult arrest (assault and battery on household member)
• Green Meadow Drive – humane call/injured animal
• Braley Road – motor vehicle accident
• River Street – threats
• Middle Road – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
• Clifford Street – runaway
• Clifford Street – runaway/juvenile arrest (child in need of services)
• Perry Hill Road – domestic disturbance
• Perry Hill Road – motor vehicle accident
• Slocum Street – protective custody
• Nye Avenue – motor vehicle accident/adult arrest (disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, resisting arrest)
• Porter Street – vandalism
• Hope Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
• Peckham Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, failure to drive in right lane)
• Main Street – adult arrest (breaking and entering, forced entry, larceny over $250, destruction of property)
• James Street – vandalism
• Enos Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
• Main Street – motor vehicle accident
• Main Street – annoying/obscene phone calls.

MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of March 8 through March 14, 1998:

• Point Road – by-laws violation
• Front Street – by-laws violation
• Route 195 West – suspicious person
• Kabeyun Road – animal complaint
• Spring Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Mill Street – suspicious activity
• Wareham Road – adult arrest (default warrant, motor vehicle offenses)
• Mill Street – family disturbance
• Mill Street – family offense
• Mill Street – officer wanted
• Washburn Park Road – animal complaint
• Front Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
• Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating with suspended license, operating an uninsured motor vehicle)
• Wareham Road – adult arrest (warrant, operating with suspended license)
• Barros Drive – noise complaint
• Beach Street – vandalism/past
• Route 195 East – adult arrest (unlicensed operation of motor vehicle, failure to drive in right lane)
• Route 195 East – adult arrest (unauthorized use of motor vehicle).

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of March 8 through March 14, 1998:

• North Street – adult arrest (warrant)
• North Street – dog in yard
• Bowman Road – dog chasing chickens in yard
• Bowman Road – dog complaint
• Tinkham Hill Road – motor vehicle accident
• County Road – adult arrest (warrant, possession of Class D substance)
• County Road – returned property
• County Road – adult arrest (warrant)
• North Street – motor vehicle accident
• Marion Road – larceny from locker
• Marion Road – larceny reported from student
• Acushnet Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Town Wharf – party found slumped over wheel
• Acushnet Road – past motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
• Fairhaven Road – dead dog in road
• Barstow Street – past larceny
• Marion Road – motor vehicle complaint
• Marion Road – ice on road, slippery conditions
• Fairhaven Road – larceny from building
• North Street – wallet found
• Dupont Drive – vandalism to mailbox
• Brandt Island Road – vandalism to mailbox
• Route 195 West – motor vehicle complaint
• County Road – returned property
• Harbor Road – dog bit reported.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of March 10 through March 16, 1998:

• Wolf Island Road – animal control matter
• Neck Road – road hazard
• Walnut Plain Road – animal control matter
• Neck Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• New Bedford Road – officer wanted
• Ryder Road – motor vehicle complaint
• Braley Hill Road – civil complaint
• Route 28 - animal control matter
• Bennett Road – civil complaint
• Braley Hill Road – icy road conditions
• New Bedford Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence)
• Mattapoisett Road – adult arrest (warrant)
• Hiller Road – civil complaint
• High Street – icy road conditions
• Mattapoisett Road – vandalism
• Burgess Avenue – suspicious activity.

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